

Tournament Rules Graham-Mebane Lake Bass Tournament

Graham-Mebane Lake is hosting a largemouth bass tournament on Saturday, March 25, 2023 at the lake at 3218 Bason Road, Mebane, NC 27302.

- There is a 20-Boat Limit.
- The entry fee is \$100 per boat, which includes launch fees. Same day registration (if the 20boat limit has not been reached) is \$110.
- 1 or 2 people are allowed per boat.
- Entrants may weigh up to five (5) bass per boat (5 fish bag limit).

Pre-registration is in-person, beginning on Saturday, March 11th at the Marina at 3:00pm. There is a 20-boat limit, so first come, first served. Registration continues until the boat limit is reached. A Liability Waiver for each entrant must be completed.

<u>Schedule:</u> 7:00am Gate opens 7:30am Mandatory rule meeting, launch follows 8:00am Tournament begins 3:00pm All boats returned, weigh in follows

Lake Staff will weigh fish on the Marina's scale and their determination is final.

Prizes:

Tournament pays out 75% to the top three spots.

The Big Fish Contest entry fee is \$10 per boat, with 100% payout.

All Prizes will be awarded by check, written at Graham City Hall the following Thursday. This includes the Big Fish Contest. Completed W-9 forms from all prize winners are required. The City will send 1099 Forms for any person that wins \$600 or more in a calendar year.

- All Lake Regulations apply, including the minimum 14" size limit on bass.
- Lake Staff reserve the right to check live-wells, coolers, etc. at any time during the contest. No alcohol or illegal drugs allowed.
- Late returning entrants will be penalized one (1) pound per minute for up to 5 minutes. After 5 minutes entrants are disqualified.
- A penalty of one (1) pound will be assessed per dead fish. Lake staff determination on dead fish is final.
- All weighed-in fish must be legally caught from Graham-Mebane Lake during the tournament.
- The tournament will be Captain's Choice as to inclement weather, meaning the tournament will be "on" despite poor weather conditions. Entrants may decide not to contend with cold or wet conditions (no-show), but their entry fee is non-refundable.
- A determination for re-scheduling due to hazardous road conditions will be made on Friday, March 24th at 5:00pm.

Cheating or any form of dishonesty will not be tolerated and will result in forfeiture of the Tournament and the banning from ALL future tournaments held by Graham-Mebane Lake. All entrants are subject to polygraph testing.

For more information, please call the Marina at (919) 563-6544 or visit the Lake Programs & Events page at www.GrahamRecreationAndParks.com.